

Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 28, 38, 39, and 41-84 are pending in the application, with claim 28 being the independent claim. Claims 28 and 50 are sought to be amended. The amendment to claim 28 replaces the word “derivatives” with “preparations,” and the amendment to claim 50 specifies that the method is to treat neurological disorders. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

Support for the amendments can be found in the claims as originally filed, as well as throughout the specification. These amendments place the application in condition for allowance, or alternatively in better form for appeal, by removing the basis for the rejection of claims 28 and 50 under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph.

Based on the above amendment and the following Remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections and they be withdrawn.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Indefiniteness

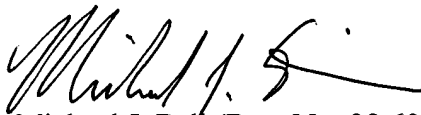
The Examiner rejected claims 28 and 50 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as allegedly being indefinite. The Applicants have amended both claims to address the issues noted by the Examiner. First, the Examiner objected that the term “derivatives” in claim 28 would include hydrolysis products such as urea. The Applicants have amended claim 28 to recite “preparations” instead of “derivatives” to more precisely claim the invention. The Examiner further objected that claim 50 does not recite the intended use of the claimed compounds. The Applicants have amended claim 50 to recite that the intended use of the claimed compounds is the treatment or prevention of neurological disorders. The Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments overcome the Examiner’s rejections, and that the rejections may thus be withdrawn.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of objection and rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicants believe that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Bell", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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